

REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

In response to the requirement for restriction and/or election as indicated in the Official Action mailed May 9, 2005, Applicant hereby elects without traverse to proceed with substantive examination on the claims in Group I which includes claims 6-10, 16-20, 26-30.

Please cancel claims without prejudice to non-elected inventions, particularly Group II which includes claims 1-5, 11-15, 21-25. New claims 31-42 have been added.

Applicant also requests that the amendments to the claims indicated hereinabove be entered as a preliminary amendment.

This response is due June 9, 2005. This response is therefore timely filed.

Applicants respectively solicit the Examiner to expedite the prosecution of this patent application. An action on the merits is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned.

The applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter this preliminary amendment. The Applicants submit that the application is in good and proper form for allowance, and respectfully request the Examiner to pass this application to issue. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney, at 623-362-2585.

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Respectfully submitted,

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